

REMARKS

This Amendment is submitted in response to the Office Action dated September 8, 2005, having a shortened statutory period set to expire December 8, 2005. Proposed amendments are submitted for Claims 1-9, and Claims 10-12 are added. Upon entry of the proposed amendments, Claims 1-12 will now be pending.

Applicants greatly appreciate the time and courtesy extended by the Examiner during a teleconference held on December 6, 2005. During this teleconference, an agreement was reached that the cited prior art does not teach or suggest the features of now amended Claims 1, 4 and 7. If Applicants' undersigned representative has misunderstood this agreement, or if further discussion is warranted, a telephone call to the undersigned representative at 512.617.5533 would be appreciated.

Rejections Under 35 U.S.C. § 101

In paragraph 2 of the present Office Action, the computer product Claims 7-9 are rejected for not explicitly claiming that the computer medium is "tangible." Claim 7 is now amended to add this limitation, and thus Applicants respectfully request that the rejections be withdrawn.

Rejections Under 35 U.S.C. § 103

In paragraph 4 of the present Office Action, Claims 1-9 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over *Apte et al.* (U.S. Patent No. 6,269,373 – "Apte"), in view of *Orfali et al.* ("Instant CORBA" – "Orfali").

Referring now to exemplary Claim 1, the cited art does not teach or suggest "wherein the shadow EJB object method is incapable of performing any function other than accessing the EJB security system in response to a request for the shadow EJB object method, thus enabling an authorization for a specific requesting user to access a non-EJB CORBA object that contains the non-EJB CORBA object method," as supported on page 11, lines 8-10 of the present specification.

Likewise, with regards to newly added exemplary Claim 10, the cited art does not teach or suggest "wherein the authorization (for a specific requesting user to access the shadow EJB object method) is based on a role of the specific requesting user, wherein the role is based on the specific requesting user's job description in an enterprise," as supported on page 8, lines 7-18 of the present specification.

CONCLUSION

As the cited art does not teach or suggest all of the features as now claimed, Applicants now respectfully request a Notice of Allowance for all pending claims.

No extension of time for this response is believed to be necessary. However, in the event an extension of time is required, that extension of time is hereby requested. Please charge any fee associated with an extension of time as well as any other fee necessary to further the prosecution of this application, including fees (if any) required by the addition of new claims, to **IBM CORPORATION DEPOSIT ACCOUNT No. 09-0447**.

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